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honolulu city lights 2014

Visitors often arrive in Hawaii for the Christmas holidays expecting palm trees with garland. They are always pleased with holiday decor in the stores and malls. When



they discover a 50-foot Norfolk pine tree, totally covered in ornaments, front and center at Honolulu Hale, City Hall, in downtown Honolulu, they agree that there is really nothing like this in any other city.

The centerpiece tree for the 30th anniversary of Honolulu City Lights will be decorated with handmade, signature Honolulu City Lights ornaments dating from 2000 to today. We are talking individual ornaments the size of most home Christmas trees. The official illumination is Saturday, Dec. 6, at the 6 p.m., the highlight of the mayors' tree lighting ceremony and the opening event of a month long celebration.

Thirty years ago, the City and County of Honolulu secured a 50-foot Norfolk pine tree in the Honolulu Hale lawn. Music and a drum roll and the lights went on. It was a simple ceremony at first, but Hawaii loves to decorate and throw a party. From that humble one-tree beginning the festival of lights has grown Hawaii's premier holiday celebration.

Mayor Caldwell extended an invitation and says, "we are pleased that Emme Tomimbang, the first emcee in 1985, has agreed to return to the podium to emcee the 30th tree lighting." The 33-member Kamehameha Intermediate School Chorus will present holiday songs and sing the classic, "Honolulu City Lights." Many remember the 20th celebration when Keola Beamer sang the now world-famous City Lights song while a group of elf-hat wearing volunteers handed out Kleenex.

Opening night will be filled with other anniversary surprises. Island families and visitors should

arrive between 4-5 p.m. so they can find parking in the Civic Center Parking Structure. No need to bring food. A dozen food booths will be open in the Sky Gate area along with several Xtreme Fun keiki rides

such as mini ferris wheel, turbo tubs and the twister.

All along King Street is a great location to see the Electric Light Parade, which leaves Aala Park at 6 p.m. This year's parade is dedicated to the late Parade Man Nelson Fujio who coordinated the parade since 1991. Sponsored by Macy's and Hawaiian Electric Company. Macy's will have a special guest as part of their parade entry. Look for the Clowns of Aloha in the Kraft Foods entry.

After the Mayor and his guests light the 30th City Christmas tree at 6:30 p.m., the parade will come across the King and Punchbowl intersection. Among the dozen high school bands will be the Farrington High School band, marching and playing in twenty-three consecutive HCL parades.

By 7:30 p.m., all the sponsor floats and decorated City & County work vehicles will be parked between Honolulu Hale and Alapai/South streets so families can see the floats up close and meet the City workers responsible for the decorated City vehicles, including an ambulance, refuse truck, street lighting vehicle, dump trucks, theBus, vector sewer cleaning truck and the favorite, the antique La France Fire Pumper truck..

At 6:30 p.m., the decorated tree display will open in the Honolulu Hale Courtyard with the 30th anniversary theme "Enchanted Rainforest." The trees are decorated with designs by City & County employees as their gift to the community. The displays aren't tax dollars at work, they are all created on the workers own time with funds the raise in bake sales and passing the hat. In the Lane

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Christmas in the Islands

Shop till you drop, catch Santa in a canoe, watch holiday hula, cruise a craft show and savor the thought of skiing a frosted gingerbread mountain. Honolulu is holiday celebration central – and most of the fun is free (minus the shopping stops that is).

Hint: stroll from hotel to hotel to enjoy holiday decor but some of Hawaii's finest floral designers. Catch a holiday hula or song at Helumoa at the Royal Hawaiian Center or wherever music is being played.

No parkas needed for a visit to this island favorite. The great winter gingerbread village, "From Hawaii to the World, a Fairytale Christmas" by Chef Ralf Bauer. Open for viewing from November 26th to the first week of January, the village comes from Bauer's imagination, stretching across the main lobby of the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani Hotel. It began small, twenty years ago,

and has grown to include ski runs, train stations, European villages, Hawaii's Aloha Tower, K a w a i h a o Church, the Eiffel Tower, medieval churches, bell towers, and a cable car. What's new this year is the Neuschwanstein Castle from Ger-



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Publisher's Letter



Another year comes
to a close....

This is it, the last issue of the year. Amazing how time flies, but here we are again, another year gone and it's been over 15 years since that fateful day I decided to take over *The Oahu Concierge* and run with it. I didn't know the first thing about publishing. Ok fine, I grew up in the publishing industry, so maybe I knew a thing or two, but it was seriously so much more than I ever expected and I literally learned on the job as we went along. Daryl would send me proofs via fax... yes, FAX!... and I got tired of trying to catch any errors on a blurry facsimile, so having never touched a graphic program before in my life, she patiently walked me through it so I could at least begin editing the copy online. Now, I pick up design jobs on the side on a regular basis. The only writing experience I ever had before this was for broadcast - and believe me - one does not write the same way for print as they do for broadcast. Now I'm writing a good majority of many of my magazines myself. I no longer send every word to Auntie Lynn or check my grammar book nearly as obsessively (although sometimes things make it into print that prove maybe I still should!)

So much has changed since then and so many of you have been with me since day one. I'm fortunate to call many of you my friends now, not just my readers, and feel like many of you play such a vital part in my life. We've built something pretty cool here. Thank you all for your continued support and I'm truly looking forward to another 15 years!

Before those begin though, we have one last bit of unfinished business. It's Concierge of the Year time. The ballot is on the back of this issue and seeing as quite a few of you took it upon yourself to begin emailing your votes in a few weeks ago, I thought I'd take a few minutes to remind you of all the rules. Only one vote per subscriber is allowed. If the person does not receive their own copy of the magazine they may not vote. Where it says Name, Title, Hotel and Signature that must be of the person that is submitting the vote - and that information must match the mailing label above. No mailing label - no vote - so please do not blank it out and write in someone else's name and have them sign. Do not forge the names of the people who do not pick up their copies of the magazine or left. Believe me, I can tell. While one or two may slip through every now and then, I end up caching the majority of them and just getting annoyed. Remember, I have dozens of emails of who has left recently to update the mailing list for future issues. Please do not send in the same ballot multiple times. All you end up doing is wasting my ink and killing a few more trees because believe it or not I go through every single ballot and will throw away any ballot not signed, doesn't match the mailing label, is forged or duplicated. Lastly, where it says "Who do you think we should honor next?" Do NOT write in the name of who you want to win this year, but the name of who we should recognize as concierge of the month NEXT year! Thanks for playing fair folks. Here's wishing you all a safe and happy holiday season. See you at the Mahalo Party!!



Yada Yada



Paul Dyson

Paul Dyson, formerly of Atlantis Adventures and Navatek Cruises was recently named Chief Operating Officer of the *USS Missouri Memorial Association*. Dyson joined the Battleship Missouri Memorial in 2006 and previously served as its Vice President of Sales and Marketing.

In his new position as COO, Dyson is responsible for directing several departments tied to the visitor including tours, communication, events, retail, education, sales and marketing, and ticketing and reservations. • It's nice to see a familiar face back in

town. Seems **Mike Doi** moved back to the Islands a while back and believe it or not I missed him! He is currently working at *Wyndham at Waikiki Beach Walk*. • Also back on the scene is **Anthony Roberts**, who left the industry for a while, but has returned to *Hilton Grand Vacations Club* to work as a concierge at the *Hokulani Waikiki*. • **Alissa Jones**, who has previously worked at both The Modern Honolulu and the J.W. Ihilani Resort has joined Play Paradise at *The Kahala Hotel and Resort* as its concierge manager. • Best wishes to **Reiko Flannagan**, who has started working as a Spa Concierge at *Mandara Spa of Hilton Hawaiian Village*. Reiko has been with Pleasant Holidays for years.

Christmas in the Islands

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many, built in 1869, known as one of the most iconic castles in Europe. It measures 10 feet long and stands over six feet tall. The creative team, led by Bauer, worked 800 hours and using 140 pounds of dark chocolate, 80 pounds of white chocolate, 80 sheets of gingerbread and 300 pounds of icing. The completed village masterpiece will measure 12 feet long and 20 feet high.

Mele Kalikimaka is the thing to say on a bright Hawaiian holiday, or so the song says. Outrigger Resorts has enticed Mr. Claus himself to take a tropical break and a canoe ride to the beach at the Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort at 9 a.m. December 13th. He will visit with families, catch some rays and hang out until December 19th for an 8 to 10 a.m. Breakfast with Santa at the Kani Ka Pila Grille at the Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort.

Can't get enough of the big man in a canoe? The Halekulani has made special arrangements for him to surf into Grays Beach on December 24th so there's two chances for keiki to see this rare sighting!

Music, shopping and more music are all on the calendar at Waikiki Beach Walk. December 19th to Christmas day, the 7 p.m. nightly free show will feature: Ka'ala Boys, Halau Ke'ala O Ka 'Iliahi, Maunaloa, Halau 'Olapa ku I ka La'i 'O Hokulani, Hu'e'wa, Coyne Street, old Hawaii style music, and on Christmas Eve, Blaine Kia & Friends.

Spot the really big Santa facing out to sea and you know you're looking Ala Moana Center. With all the construction holiday activity is still in full force. Three free valet parking areas are available, plus hundreds of parking stalls opened in the Ewa Mauka lot near Long's. Centerstage, garlanded with green, silver and red, hosts several shows a day. Local and visiting bands, children's chorus', Narcissus Queen Pageant contestants, the Ala Moana Center's Keiki Hula Show and the all new Holiday Hula Show with a story-line that begins with Hawaiian creation chants and moves through boat days, surfing Santa hulas to Ke Aloha Kalikimaka and the Little Drummer Boy. The 25-foot tall trees will be on display, lighted 24-hours a day, glowing at the Nordstrom wing of the center - a perfect spot for family photos. Same wing, one level down Santa and his photographer will be ready and waiting. On December 7th stop by for a mall-wide Friends & Family Day, with special discounts valid that day at participating merchants.

Movin' on down the road to Ward Villages. Santa's Beach House is the bearded man's favorite Hawaii vacation stop. Built just for him the place is an interactive play space with an opportunity to meet the man himself. Families are invited to bring their wish lists and don their most festive holiday attire for a visit and a photo opportunity. At 7 p.m. every Saturday the Ward Warehouse Amphitheater stage is the place for music. Nov. 29th, Kupaoa, Dec. 6 John Cruz, Dec. 20 Kuana Torres Kahele. The music is right outside Na Mea Hawaii shop, filled with all the authentic made in Hawaii treasures and books that visitors long to take home and the jams, jelly and munchies for island parties.

The Gallery at Ward Centre and Chai are filled with hand crafted and exotic items. These are shops where caution goes to the wind along with a well planned gift list. Too many things that simply tempt shoppers away from the gift list and toward the "gee, I would like this," kind of Hadji Baba Bags are made from silk, vintage kimonos, and painted lanterns. Noted artists Cindy Conklin and Susie Anderson will have small works of art, Babs Miyano-Young's glass and bead necklaces and earrings are considered collectors items and Bud Spindt offers multi-colored hand blown glass luminaries.

Park the car and enjoy. The seven-story parking lot by Pier 1 offers 700 stalls. Valet parking is available in several locations, and it's the perfect place to catch the Honolulu City Lights Trolley Tour, nightly through December 30, to see the dazzling light display downtown. Trolleys leave from the Pictures Plus area and tickets can be booked on line at wardcenters.com/events. At \$6.50 per person, children three and under free.

Downtown/Chinatown district has parking, fashion and gift shopping, dining and great bars. December 5, 12, 19 are all First Friday events with trunk shows in nearly every shop. In the streets; Santa, street performers, musicians, carolers and windows peopled with Elves & Angels. Peoples choice judging will be tallied on December 12. Check in at the Louis Pohl Gallery or the ARTS at Mark's Garage for the schedule of the days events.

And, finally, there are the craft fairs. Christmas in Manoa is December 6th at the Waioli Tea Room. Several others are planned for the same location. The largest fair may be the 11th Annual Honolulu Gift Fair all day on Dec. 20 and 21 at the Neal Blaisdell Center Exhibition Hall. The Fair benefits the Food Bank, the shopping benefits the pocketbook. 275 vendors have one of everything and two of most. Mele Kalikimaka!! ~ Lynn Cook

EXTRA *Newsflash* EXTRA

NATIONAL GUARD GET IN FREE AT PEARL HARBOR

In honor of the U.S. National Guard's birthday on December 13th, Pearl Harbor Historic Sites will waive the admission of all active duty and retired Air Force personnel and their families into the Battleship Missouri Memorial, Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor, and the USS Bowfin Submarine Museum and Park on December 13th and 14th. Just present a valid military ID at the ticket booth to enter. PearlHarborHistoricSites.org.

REYN SPOONER MOVED

The aloha shirt retailer has moved their Waikiki location from the Sheraton Waikiki across the way by the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani. The new store is now located at 120 Kaiulani Avenue and features their new Modern Classic Aloha Shirt, a slimmer fitting version of the islands most iconic clothing item. reynspooner.com.

KAHALA ORGANICS

Green Spa Hawaii in the Bank of Hawaii building at Ala Moana is now featuring the organic skincare line Kahala Organics in its spa. 100% free of parabens, dyes, fragrances, alcohol and more it has been tremendously successful in Japan and this is the only place the products can be purchased other than online. kahalaorganics.com

ALOHA FRIDAY LUAU LUNCH

Hula Grill at the Outrigger Waikiki begins their new Aloha Friday Luau Lunch on December 19th and 26th, ongoing through 2015, 11:45 to 3 p.m. Dianne Vicheinrut, general manager, says this is the only place in Waikiki to get authentic Hawaiian Food. "We want our guests to enjoy a traditional plate of chicken laulau, kalua pork, poi, haupia, and more, a total of ten traditional luau foods, accompanied by hula and music." This is gourmet Hawaiian luau food, complete with and ocean view, hula and music, without a long bus ride. hulagrillwaikiki.com. 923-4852

BISHOP MUSEUM TURNS 125

Bishop Museum celebrates its 125th anniversary in 2014 and opened a special anniversary exhibit last month that highlights the pivotal role the museum has played chronicling the changes that have occurred throughout the Islands over the past 125 years. Visitors can see photographs, artifacts, and archival materials that let them explore key themes in our islands such as how news, transportation, entertainment, food, fashion, sports, and education have changed, as just a few examples of some of the subjects touched upon. Bishop Museum continues to be the keeper of Hawaii's stories and a forum for culture that we all should celebrate. bishopmuseum.org. 847-3511.

CONCIERGE OF THE YEAR!

It's that time! Get those votes in by December 8th via fax at 593-0839. Official ballots only. Mahalo!

"THE EDDIE" WINDOW HAS OPENED

The official window for "The Eddie" begins December 1st. Will Eddie Go this year? It's been 5 years since California Greg Long won the last competition in 2009. Mother Nature has until February 28th to bring us the perfect swell on the perfect day for this ultimate of all surf contests to make an rare appearance. Did you know that the contest has only happened 8 times since 1984? Pray for surf! quiksilverlive.com/eddieaikau

HILTON UPGRADES LUAU

Hilton Hawaiian Village recently introduced some upgrades to its Waikiki Starlight Luau including new, dynamic show numbers, a sunset mural illustration designed by renown Hawaii artist Kahi Ching and facility enhancements that include new tiki thatched huts for activities and musicians and a renovated show area. Show performs Sunday-Thursday at 5:30 p.m. on the rooftop of the Mid-Pacific Conference Center. Call 941-5828 or hiltonhawaiianvillage.com/waikiki-starlight-luau

LEGENDS TAKES A TWO-DAY BREAK

Please note that Rock-A-Hula Show at Legends in Concert Waikiki will be closed on December 14th and 15th for scheduled maintenance. The show resumes on December 16th. Rock-a-hula.com.

Please join the Oahu Concierge for the
14th annual Mahalo Party
Thursday, December 11th from 5 - 7 p.m.
at the Hard Rock Cafe!



You're invited to a fabulous evening of fun, food, entertainment, prizes, and... the announcement of this years' Concierge of the Year!!

RSVP REQUIRED

to rsvp@oahuconciierge.com by December 9th

Sorry no guests. Seat limitations will apply. Please see your manager if you are in one of the larger desks or tables we normally use!



Once again this year's event is a food drive for the Hawaii Food Bank. Please bring canned goods to donate to those less fortunate. For every three cans you bring, you will receive one raffle ticket towards a special prize drawing. The goal this year is again a 1,000 pounds. Let's make a difference!

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Mainland visitors to Honolulu during the holidays always comment on how strange it is to see Christmas trees decorated alongside hula dancers and luaus. "Where's the snow? It isn't Christmas without the snow," many of them profess. True, we may not have any snow on O'ahu, and the stuff on Mauna Kea may not be the softest, but we do have a lot of holiday spirit in December and for those of you who have guests who are yearning for jingle bell fun, O'ahu's arts and cultural scene has a few entertainments this month that will make their dreams come true.

Bing Crosby dreamed of and sang about a white Christmas in several films and on the radio, most famously in the 1954 film entitled, you guessed it, *White Christmas* which he starred alongside Danny Kaye, Rosemary Clooney (George's aunt) and dancer Vera-Ellen (no relation to Ellen Degeneres although they are both blonds.) I'm sure you've seen the film dozens of times on Turner Movie Classics over the years, but this month, I recommend you checking it out in person at **DIAMOND HEAD THEATRE** for the stage version of the film classic. Opening December 5 and running until December 21, you can relive the story of Bob Wallace and Phil Davis, two World War II army buddies who become big Broadway stars. The song and dance team romance two sisters at a nightclub in New York and decide to follow them up to Vermont to an inn run by their former commanding general who desperately needs help for his declining business. Your guests will be surprised at how many songs they know from this show such as "Blue Skies," "Count Your Blessings (instead of sheep)," "Sisters," and the universal "White Christmas" all written by Irving Berlin. To order tickets please contact the theatre's box office at 733-0274 or order online at www.diamondheadtheatre.com. This production is not an annual show at the theatre, so it usually sells out, so don't hesitate to make reservations.

A holiday tradition which is annual event at the Blaisdell Concert Hall is **BALLET HAWAII'S "Nutcracker"** and even if your guests are not a fan of ballet, they will most likely be familiar with the beloved melodies of Tchaikovsky. This year five principal dancers from the New York City Ballet will be joining the cast alongside dancers from The Royal Ballet of Flanders, The Australian Ballet and Carolina Ballet. For those of your guests who are not from a major city, this may be the only chance they will have to see dancers of this caliber perform the Nutcracker and how cool to say that they saw them perform in Hawai'i! The performance dates are December 19 and 20 at 7:30 p.m. and December 21 at 2 p.m. The production is accompanied by the Hawai'i Symphony Orchestra. Tickets are on sale by phone at 800-745-3000, at the Blaisdell Box Office or at ticketmaster.com. Joining these international stars of dance on-stage are more than 185 young and aspiring dancers from across Hawai'i, so your guests will get to experience the best of the up and coming dancers from Hawai'i as well as the best dancers from around the world. There is a special VIP dinner

package at STAGE Restaurant for the Friday and Saturday performances which includes reserved parking and VIP seating at the Blaisdell. 521-8600.

Another holiday tradition in Honolulu is the *Holiday Evening Tours* at **IOLANI PALACE** in celebration, this year of Queen Kapi'olani's 180th birthday. In preparation for the event, the Palace grounds are decorated with lanterns harking back to the time of Hawai'i's monarchy. On Saturday, December 27th the Palace will be open to the public from 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for special evening tours. This is a rare opportunity for visitors to step back in time and experience the Palace as it was during the 19th century. Under the glow of golden electric light bulbs the staterooms will glimmer with holiday flowers. Soloists will perform opera in the Blue Room and period dance performances will be conducted in the Throne Room to create a sense of what court celebrations may have been during the height of the Hawaiian monarchy. In addition a reproduction of the Queen's famous Peacock Gown will be put on display. The original gown was created for the Queen's visit to London for Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee which the Queen and then Princess Lili'uokalani attended.

Visitors will be able to wander through the Palace Galleries to view some of the treasures of the Hawaiian Kingdom which include monarchy jewelry once worn by Queen Kapi'olani and Queen Lili'uokalani, in addition to other rare artifacts from Hawai'i's monarchy period. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children 5 to 12. Children under 5 years of age are free but must be accompanied by a paying adult. The Palace doors open at 5:30 p.m. No reservations are taken for these tours. Guests will be accommodated on a first-come first-served basis. Members of The Friends of Iolani Palace will have a priority line. Please note that regular daytime tours will end at 3 p.m. that day to prepare for the evening tours. For more information, please call the Palace at 522-0822 or visit iolanipalace.org. Visitors will have the opportunity to ascend to the second floor via the Palace's famous koa staircase and local entertainers will perform music just as celebrated musicians serenaded the guests at King Kalakaua's holiday soirees over 120 years ago.

Did you know that Queen Kapi'olani's actual birthday is on December 31st? I'm sure many of your guests will be requesting tables at some of the best parties in town that night, but other guests may be here with young children and may not know what to do. I recommend the New Year's Eve Pineapple Drop at the Town Center of Mililani hosted by, you guessed it, me! At precisely 7:00 p.m., simultaneous with the ball drop in New York City's Time Square, an eight foot tall, four foot round, lighted pineapple drops from the 60 foot flag pool in front of the Consolidated Theatres in Mililani. The event runs from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and will feature the bands Streetlight Cadence and Crimson Apple alongside food booths and activities geared to children. It's the perfect place to stop for dinner on the way back to Waikiki from the North Shore for a memorable New Year's Eve experience with the kids without having to stay out late.

~ Lance Rae

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What's your best Hawaii Christmas memory? Ask yourself, ask a friend, ask a parent. We all have a story or two – like walking Round Top Drive to find old African snail shells, minus a living inhabitant, and spraying them silver and gold to decorate the home built tree. The real trees were SO expensive. Hanging out at the tree lot at the Beretania Safeway late in the day was eventually rewarded by a bunch of chopped off bottom limbs. Tied together and stuck into a 10-gallon can of sand -- who could tell the difference?

SANTA ON STEROIDS – that would be the Shaka Santa created in 1989, and Tutu Mele, with an assorted crowd of friends including the Snow Family (1991), and the Bear Band (2001), all hanging out in front of Honolulu Hale. The entire entourage is the creation of artist-designer Owen Ho. Known by some as a parade float designer and



by others as the designer of the annual Hawaii Heart Ball decor, Ho went all out for the 30th Anniversary of Honolulu City Lights, designing new ornaments for the giant tree. His theme is based on Hawaii's Star of Gladness, the voyaging canoe Hokule'a. The collectors ornament, sold each year by the Friends of Honolulu City Lights, also features the canoe.

Take time to visit the 50-foot tree, then wander inside Honolulu Hale to see the trees in the courtyard. City workers have bake sales and such to raise money for the decor of each tree. Like the city light parade floats, all the work is done on their own time. Gotta say it. Only In Hawaii!

SAD TO GLAD – that's what Hungry Ear Records owners Dennie Chong and Ward Yamashita are this season. Moving from their long loved Kailua digs to University Village at the corner of South King Street and University Ave. was traumatic, to say the least. The new location has validated parking so parents on the townie side of the island will have their turn, turning their kids on to turntables. Hungry Ear has all the latest in music plus the Hawaiian music 'oldies' we grew up on, plus the 33 1/3rd and 45 rpm records. If you don't remember or don't know, stop in to see the needle drop and

hear the real sound of a hit record cut in a studio. No matter where the hi-tech world takes us – vinyl is final.

SAVAGE WOMEN – actually, elegant and refined, but painted by Eugene Savage. These prints and paintings were created for Matson, created as the cruise ships began to plow the waves of the Pacific, brining visitors to the islands. The show, Art Deco Hawaii, is on view at the Honolulu Museum of Art through January 11th. Don't let the holiday rush keep you from seeing this show. It is history. Be sure to notice Gene Pressler's surfer girl in a lion tooth necklace and gold ankle bands. Note her pose on the board, with a 20 foot face wave behind her. Think wipeout.

The famed Matson murals were painted in San Francisco and printed on the ships' menu covers. This is the very first time the murals have left the Matson offices and traveled to the islands they depict. The paintings, images that we grew up on, were commissioned to promote our islands and the island products. The artists took every possibly liberty depicting the Hawaiian culture and the Hawaiian people. Beautiful and technically perfect as the images are, they stretch even the most forgiving view of the use and abuse of cultural heritage.

SAY CHUKKER – Polo season was over on Labor Day but no one told the ponies. They still want to play. So do the kids on the North Shore who may live on the beach or in temporary housing. The Hawaii Polo Club will host its 5th annual Operation Toy Box Polo Benefit on Sunday, December 14th. Ticket price for an amazing day of winter polo is \$10 and an unwrapped toy. Three matches – polo school match, main polo match with players and ponies in it to win and a halftime bicycle polo match. Of course, Sky Dive Hawaii will have their moments in the spotlight, filling the field with parachuting 'elves' and Ian 'O Sullivan's band will play until after sunset.

STAY ON POINT – If you were in the audience for the October Ballet Hawaii presentation of the principal dancers of the New York City Ballet you are already in line for tickets to Ballet Hawaii's Nutcracker. It was just that good. More New York City Ballet stars are on their way here, joining our talented local ballet company, leaving us all to wonder, "how do they do that?" Personally I can hardly stand on my toes long enough to reach the soup bowls on the kitchen shelf. But ballet isn't about height, it is about grace and balance and the belief that a nutcracker really can dance. The performances, with music by the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra, are December 19, 20, and 21 at the Blaisdell Concert Hall. See you there.



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The Gift of Words & Music

Write “Amy and Willie”, Grandma’s Portuguese Bean Soup or Perry and Price at the top of a shopping list and guests, friends and family will agree, “yup, that’s a perfect gift. Then they will ask for more suggestions. The list is even more important when talking about how to take Hawaii home when you live way over there, across the vast ocean and don’t know what to buy or where to buy it. Inquiring minds want to know!

“Oh, I want to take that home with me! I just love that Hawaiian chant,” said the visitor from the Midwest. She waved her fingers a bit and pointed up to the sound of music in the lobby. It might have been Keali’i or Kuana. It wasn’t chant, it was a Hawaiian love song. Her question was, where can I buy the music? The same question is asked about books written in and about the islands. The answers are also the same, Na Mea at Ward Warehouse, Barnes & Noble at Ala Moana, ABC Stores, Target, Walmart, Kmart, Long’s Drugs, the Honolulu Museum of Art, Bishop Museum, and the holiday Pop-Up Bookstore at Mutual Publishing on Center Street in Kaimuki.

Sweet Sounds

What we have all been waiting for – Amy & Willie K Reunion! Picking up where they left off a decade ago, the two talented artists combine love for music, writing, their homeland and, ultimately, each other. In **Reunion**, local folk will find some clues to a decade-old mystery. Songs tell the story, even if you weren’t here. “Swish Sway Hula,” “Tequila Senorita,” “Hawaiian Man” and “Never Got Over You.” Hummm, CD tag line reads a musical relationship formed anew. Ola!

The three-time Na Hoku Hanohano Award winning husband and wife duo, Lihau and Kellen Paik, part of the group Kupaoa, were always saying, “we will record that someday,” and they did. The most fun? “I Got You Babe”. The new CD is called **Bumbye**. Love the sound? Check out **Na Pua Mohala** where they teamed up with three Japanese musicians who share their passion for Hawaiian music. Most unique, the Hawaiian language version of Ken Sakamoto’s 1963 hit, originally released in the U.S. as “Sukiyaki”.

Kuana Torres Kahele moves his music around the Hawaiian archipelago, promising to honor every island. Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the transfer of Ni’ihau from the Hawaiian Kingdom to private land, **Kahelelani Niuhau**, the artist invites us access to songs never before recorded, plus originals that are on their way to classic status. He wears his Ni’ihau island pride in garlands of shells unrivaled in modern times.

Keali’i Reichel’s **Kawaiokalena** comes twenty years after his debut album, a “name that tune” album of music that brings tears and memories in seconds. The new CD goes from romantic Maui memories to pig-Latin fun, a drinking song and songs for falling in love.

Hanau Hou by the Hawaiian Style Band has eight originals, eleven total songs overall. This band constantly evolves. Israel Kamakawiwo’ole, Bla, Cyril and Martin Pahinui, Fiji, Teresa Bright, Ka’au Crater Boys and Del Beasley were band members at one time in history. The members of the band have changed but the sound still sounds like home.

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The hottest show in town right now is definitely CabaRAE, featuring delightfully entertaining Random Acts of Entertainment! Industry members were treated to a sneak peek of the newly opened \$5-million theatre and were able to catch the show and hang out with the cast a few days before it opened to the public. If you haven't seen this one, trust us, you'll want too! Performing Wed - Sun at 8 p.m. at the HHV. CabaRAE.com



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Words & Music

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Storytime

Perry on the Left, Price on the Right, Thirty Years of the Odd Couple of Island Radio will bring to light the ever-vigilant Posse, the Coconut Wireless and the marathon broadcasts to keep Hawaii safe in emergencies, all this on the pages of a large-format book by Watermark Publishing. Author Larry Fleece says, “no pretense, no artifice, no agenda. Just straight talk from the heart.” For those who don’t know, or are too young to remember, former U.H. football coach Price took over when the famed Hal “Aku” Lewis passed away. Michael W. Perry moved from the KSSK afternoon show and the two took over the airwaves leaving all other stations in their dust.

The Hawaiian Survival Handbook from Brother Noland takes the reader out of the concert setting where he has entertained us for decades. Now we can learn how to Avoid a Shark Attack, Survive a Rip Tide, Throw Net, Use the Moon, Use Hawaiian Plants, Build or Find a Shelter, Wayfind the Forrest and generally take care of ourselves and the land. He says his heritage is hunting, tracking, fishing – skills he has been teaching to children and adults since 1996. Both books are from Watermark Publishing.

Kohala Kuamo’o is a children’s book for all ages. It recounts the story of the authors family ancestor, the great Chief Nae’ole and his bravery and determination as he cared for and hid the baby that would become the powerful Big Island chief, Kamehameha. Written by Kekauleanae’ole Kawai’ae’a, the grandson, illustrated by the dad, Aaron Kawai’ae’a and the story told by grandfather Walter Kawai’ae’a. Produced by Kamehameha Publishing.

Savory Flavors

Often called the melting pot, our islands stir up the urge to cook and feed people. With the cosmopolitan mix in major U.S. cities, what used to be considered exotic ingredients can now be found in a local Safeway. So, it is safe to send a taste of the kitchen to everyone. A good rule to follow is “buy two,” otherwise the cookbook doesn’t always make it under the intended tree.

Wanda Adams can cover everything, from hard news to hula. What she loves to write about is food. The pages from her new book, *Hawaii Cooks: A Portuguese Kitchen, Traditional Recipes with an Island Twist* are filled with tasty tales of Hamakua Sweet Bread Lady, the Ka’i Pig Man and The Kaimuki Baker and her Portuguese lineage. Adams explores mysteries such as how Portuguese sweetbread and mallassadas became a Hawaii diet staple and how bean soup became the signature soup of the Portuguese when a potato-based soup was the national dish of Portugal.

Cooking Hawaiian Style by comedian and radio personality, Lani Tabura and Frank Abraham is afun food book. They share ‘ohana recipes with unusual combinations of flavor from their OC 16 TV show. Both books are from Mutual Publishing.

Hawaii’s singers, songwriters, authors and illustrators are prolific. Mountain Apple Company is the go to for music. Bess Press, Watermark Publishing, Mutual Publishing, University of Hawaii Press, Kamehameha Publishing all have web sites. Hear a musician you love, ask if they have a CD or web site. Happy listening, giving and reading.

~ Lynn Cook

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Chef's Corner

Macaroni Grill's Executive Chef Nawai Keko'olani

Nawai Keko'olani is the executive chef of Romano's Macaroni Grill at Ho'okipa Terrace in Ala Moana Center. A 20-year veteran of the Hawaii hospitality industry. Prior to joining the Romano's Macaroni Grill team, Keko'olani was general manager and regional executive chef at Nordstrom Marketplace Café Restaurant, and also was executive chef and regional chef at Ruth's Chris Steak House Hawaii.

When did you first decide to be a chef?

I made a decision to become a Chef in High School. I loved to cook as a child and enjoyed preparing meals for family and knew this was the profession I wanted to pursue. I love to see the happy smiles on our guests after a meal at Macaroni Grill.

What was your first job in the culinary industry?

My first job was delivering newspapers - my first taste of the culinary world was working at McDonald's

Who's would you consider your mentor and why?

My mom, without doubt. She owned a catering company on Guam, so I was cooking as a youngster and would help her out in the kitchen. She made great desserts, and to this day I still love to make dessert. Baking is a completely different skill from cooking. I am very fortunate that my mother passed on her culinary skills to me and am proud that my eldest daughter Emily is now enrolled in the culinary program at KCC. Another generation with the passion is on its way!

How would you describe your food philosophy?

My food philosophy is to use the freshest and finest quality ingredients in all our dishes.

What brought you to Hawaii?

I was born in Guam, raised in Hawaii and attended Mililani HS and the Leeward Community College Culinary Program.

Best thing about working in a kitchen?

Being able to develop the future culinary stars in our Hawaii kitchens and seeing the youth of Hawaii excel in the culinary industry.

Whats your biggest pet peeve in the kitchen?

Consistency! This is something we strive for daily.

What's always in your fridge?

Lemons, for balance, garlic and pretty much any kind of Asian ingredient!

What do you cook when you're at home?

Comfort food! I really love to cook everything.

Favorite midnight snack?

Hurricane popcorn.

Favorite dish to prepare and why?

Here at Macaroni Grill one of my favorite dishes is our Shrimp Portofini. This delicious seafood dish is light and flavorful - and the lemon butter really enhances this popular dish!

What's your favorite thing to do when you're not working?

When away from the restaurant, I really enjoy spending time with my wife, Michelle, and our four children. I also enjoy also keeping fit with martial arts.

If you had to stop being a chef tomorrow, what would you be?

A Culinary Instructor

Do you have a favorite restaurant you like to go too when you're not working?

I love Michel's, it's always been my favorite restaurant. I really think Chef Hardy does a fantastic job. I love to go there whenever I get a chance. The abalone that Hardy prepares is simply phenomenal.

Who has influenced you most regarding cooking?

The local chefs who defined regional and local cuisine have definitely had a huge influence on my culinary style - as has Emeril Lagasse. There are many people who've influenced me so far.

Caprese Salad

by Chef Nawai Keko'olani



Tools needed Japanese mandolin, fryer

Salad Ingredients:

- 2 large local, vine-ripened tomatoes
- 1 Maui or sweet onion
- 4 ounces baby arugula
- 4 basil sprigs
- 2 Tbl blackening spice
- 2 tsp kosher or sea salt
- 1/2 cup all purpose flour

for Crispy Onion Stack:

- 2 Tbl blackening spice
- 2 tsp kosher or sea salt
- (omit or use less for lower sodium)

Method: Slice tomatoes 1/2-inch thick. Slice the onion 1/4-inch thick. Grab a nice salad plate and arrange the arugula in the middle to make a bed for the tomato and onions. Place one tomato slice, followed by an onion slice and a slice of mozzarella until the entire product is used. Thinly slice the basil and sprinkle over the salad. To make fried onions, thinly slice the onion with the mandolin (preferably 1/4-inch thick). Mix all dry ingredients in a mixing bowl and slowly mix onions into the bowl until coated evenly. Preheat fryer to 350 degrees. Slowly add onion; be sure to shake off any extra flour to avoid burning. Make sure the onions are golden brown and crisp. Place finished onions on a plate lined with a paper towel to soak up excess oil. Place fried onions on top of stack or sprinkle around stack. Makes three to four servings.

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MONDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233
Local Contemporary
 Shaka Madali 5:30-8:30pm

Chart House Waikiki 941-6660
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Tito Berinobis & David Kauahikaua 6:30-9:30pm

Cheesecake Factory 924-5001
Classic Hawaiian
 Christian Yrizarry Duo 8-11pm

Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Haumea Warrington 4-6pm
 Ellsworth Simeona 9:30-12am

Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383
Live Contemporary
 Zanuck & Piranha Duo 5-7pm
 Blue Mondays Varying Artists 9-11am

House Without a Key 923-2311
Live Hawaiian & Hula by Skyler Kamaka
 DeLima Ohana 5:30 - 8:00pm

Hula Grill 923-HULA
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Eric Lee 7-9pm

Jimmy Buffett's at the Beachcomber 791-1200
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Ashley Lilinoe 7:00-9:30pm

Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Sean Na'auao 6 - 9pm
 Maunaulua (11/24) 6 - 9pm

LBL at the Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel 922-0811
Live Contemporary Acoustic Hits
 Johnny Helm 6-9pm

Lewers Lounge 923-2311
Live Contemporary & Light Jazz
 Noly Pa'a 8:30-12:30am

LuLu's 926-5222
Live Contemporary
 Johnny Helm 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Rumfire 921-4600
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Jeremy Cheng 5-8pm
 DJ Super CW 8:30pm-12:30am

Sunrise Pool Bar at the Modern 943-5800
Live Contemporary
 Alex Oasay 5-8pm

The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600
Live Hawaiian music with a fire dancer at 7:30 p.m.
 Randy Allen 1:30-3:30pm
 Ka'ala Boys 6:30-8:30pm

The Study at the Modern 943-5800
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kaleo 7-10pm

Tiki's Grill & Bar 923-TIKI
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kapu the Band 6-8:30pm
 Jason Alan & Ian O'Sullivan 9-11pm

Tropics Bar & Grill 949-4321
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Acoustik Playground 5:30-8:30pm

TUESDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233
Local Contemporary Hits
 Chris Salvador or Paul Wilcox 5:30-8:30pm

Bin1901 at the Moana 921-4600
Piano Wine Bar
 Scott Smith 6:30-9:30pm

Chart House Waikiki 941-6660
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 The Camarillo Brothers 6:30-9:30pm

Cheesecake Factory 924-5001
Classic Hawaiian
 Derrick Lee Duo 8-11pm

Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Haumea Warrington 4-6pm
 Ellsworth Simeona 9:30-12am

Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383
Live Contemporary
 Alex Oasay Duo 5-7pm
 Da Push-O-Verse (or others) 9-11pm

House Without a Key 923-2311
Live Hawaiian & Hula by Radasha Ho'ohuli
 Po'okela 5:30 - 8:00pm

Hula Grill 923-HULA
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kamuela Kahoano 7-9pm

Jimmy Buffett's at the Beachcomber 791-1200
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Mike Huhn 7:00-9:30pm

Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Weldon Kekauoha 6-9pm

LBL at the Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel 922-0811
Live Contemporary Funk, Jazz, Hip Hop & Reggae
 Jason Laeha 6-9pm

Lewers Lounge 923-2311
Live Contemporary & Light Jazz
 Maggie Herron & Rocky Holmes 8:30-12:30am

LuLu's 926-5222
Live Contemporary
 Johnny Helm 6-9pm

Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311
Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Hula Dancer
 Kapala Duo 6:30-9:30pm

Rumfire 921-4600
Live Contemporary Rock
 Randy Allen 5-8pm
 Twilight Audio 8:30pm-12:30am

Sunrise Pool Bar at the Modern 943-5800
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Cory Oliveros 5-8pm

The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600
Live Hawaiian music with a fire dancer at 7:30 p.m.
 Eric Lee 1:30-3:30pm
 Ho'okani Duo 6:30-8:30pm

The Point at Turtle Bay (formerly called Hang Ten) 293-6000
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kapena Delima 5:30-7:30pm

The Study at the Modern 943-5800
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Alex Oasay & Jeremy Cheng 7:30-10:30pm

Tiki's Grill & Bar 923-TIKI
Live Hawaiian - \$2 Taco Tuesdays
 K.B. Riley 5:30-8:30pm
 Sani & Friends 9-11pm

Tropics Bar & Grill 949-4321
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kailua Bay Buddies 5:30-8:30pm

WEDNESDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233
Instrumental Guitar
 Paul Wilcox 5:30-8:30pm

Bin1901 at the Moana 921-4600
Piano Wine Bar
 Scott Smith 6:30-9:30pm

Chart House Waikiki 941-6660
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Tito Berinobis & David Kauahikaua 6-10:30pm

Cheesecake Factory 924-5001
Classic Hawaiian
 Kimo Artis Duo 8-11pm

Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268
Acoustic, Soul, R&B
 Haumea Warrington 4-6pm
 Ellsworth Simeona 9:30-12am

Du Vin 545-1115
Sessions at DuVin features Live Jazz Wednesdays.
 Shoji Ledward 7-9pm

Gordon Biersch 599-4877
Jazz Wednesdays
 Varying Artists 6:30-9:30pm

Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383
Live Contemporary
 John Valentine 5-7pm
 Piranha Brothers 9-11pm

House Without a Key 923-2311
Live Hawaiian & Hula by Lauren Matsumoto
 Pa'ahana 5:30 - 8:00pm

Hula Grill 923-HULA
Live Contemporary Music
 Jeremy Chang 7-9pm

Hy's Steak House 922-5555
Live Soft Contemporary
 Audy Kimura 6:30-10pm

Jimmy Buffett's at the Beachcomber 791-1200
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Shawn Garnet 7:00-9:30pm

Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992
Live Contemporary Slack Key
 Cyril Pahinui 6-9pm

LBL at the Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel 922-0811
Live Contemporary Funk, Jazz, Hip Hop & Reggae
 Soul Tree Music Factory 6-9pm

Lewers Lounge 923-2311
Live Contemporary & Light Jazz
 Maggie Herron & Rocky Holmes 8:30-12:30am

LuLu's 926-5222
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Jason Lehua 10-12:30am

Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311
Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Hula Dancer
 Eric Lee Duo 6:30-9:30pm

Roy's Hawaii Kai 396-7697

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Acoustic & Slack Key Top 40
Dayton Watanabe 6:30-9:30pm
Rumfire 921-4600
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Kamuela Kahoano 5-8pm
Twilight Audio 8:30pm-12:30am
SWIM at the Hyatt 923-1234
Contemporary Classic
Kailua Bay Buddies 6-9pm
Sunrise Pool Bar at the Modern 943-5800
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Tahiti Rey & Sean Cleland 5-8pm
The Edge at the Sheraton 922-4422
Live Hawaiian music with a fire dancer at 7:30 p.m.
Albert Malignat 1:30-3:30pm
Keoni Ku Duo 6:30-8:30pm
The Study at the Modern 943-5800
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Melanie and Drew 6:30-9:30pm
Tiki's Grill & Bar 923-TIKI
Live Contemporary - 1/2 off Wine Wednesdays
Canoes for Rent 5:30-8:30pm
Johnny Helm 9-11pm
Tropics Bar & Grill 949-4321
Live Contemporary Rock
Acoustik Playground 5:30-8:30pm

THURSDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233
Instrumental Guitar
Paul Wilcox 5:30-8:30pm
Bin1901 at the Moana 921-4600
Piano Wine Bar
Scott Smith 6:30-9:30pm
Chart House Waikiki 941-6660
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Tito Berinobis 6:30-10pm
Cheeseburger Waikiki 941-2400
Contemporary / Old School Rock
Jeremy Chang 6:30-9:30pm
Cheesecake Factory 924-5001
Classic Hawaiian
T & J Duo 8-11pm
Aina Folk Duo (12/25)
Duke's Canoe Club 922-2268
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Haumea Warrington 4-6pm
Kaiona Duo (or others) 9:30-12am
Five-O Bar & Lounge 922-0550
Live Acoustic Contemporary & Reggae
K Love Duo 7:30-10:30pm
Gordon Biersch 599-4877
Live Contemporary Funk and Classics
Acoustic Playground 7-10:30pm
Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383
Live Contemporary
Tim Rose (or others) 5-7pm
Kailua Bay Buddies 9-11pm
House Without a Key 923-2311
Live Hawaiian & Hula by Radasha Ho'ohuli
Pa'ahana 5:30 - 8:00pm
Hula Grill 923-HULA
Live Contemporary Hawaiian

Sheila Waiwaiolo & Mara Sagapolu 7-9pm
Hy's Steak House 922-5555
Live Soft Contemporary
Audy Kimura 6:30-10pm
Jimmy Buffett's at the Beachcomber 791-1200
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Shawn Garnet 7:00-9:30pm
Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Kawika Kahiapo 6-9pm
LBLE at the Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel 922-0811
Live Contemporary Pop/Rock
Sunway 6-9pm
Lewers Lounge 923-2311
Contemporary Jazz
Maggie Herron & Rocky Holmes 8:30-12:30am
LuLu's 926-5222
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Local Uprising 6-9pm
Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311
Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Hula Dancer
Delima Ohana 6:30-9:30pm
Michel's at the Colony Surf 923-6552
Live Slack Key
Jeff Peterson 7:30-10:00pm
Roy's Hawaii Kai 396-7697
Acoustic Hawaiian Guitar
Steve English 6:30-9:30pm
Rumfire 921-4600
Live Contemporary Rock
Johnny Helm 5-8pm
DJ Miked 8:30pm-12:30am
Sunrise Pool Bar at the Modern 943-5800
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Christian Yrizarry Duo 5-8pm
SWIM at the Hyatt 923-1234
Contemporary Classic
Acoustik Playground 6-9pm
The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600
Live Hawaiian music with a fire dancer at 7:30 p.m.
Ellsworth Simeona 1:30-3:30pm
Christian Yrizarry Duo 6:30-8:30pm
The Study at the Modern 943-5800
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Simple Souls 6:30-9:30pm
Tiki's Grill & Bar 923-TIKI
Heineken Hot Hula Nights - hula dancers perform
Malu the Band 5:30-7:30pm
Ellsworth Simeona 8:30-11:30pm
Tropics Bar & Grill 949-4321
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Nohelani Cypriano 5:30-8:30pm

FRIDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233
Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Beach BBQ
Art Kalahiki & Friends 5:30-8:30pm
Bin1901 at the Moana 921-4600
Piano Wine Bar
Scott Smith 6:30-9:30pm 7-8:30pm
Chart House Waikiki 941-6660
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Mark Yim's Pilikia I 6-9pm

Mark Yim's Pilikia II 9:30-12:30am
Cheeseburger Waikiki 941-2400
Contemporary Hawaiian
Alex or Aku 6:30-9:30pm
Cheesecake Factory 924-5001
Classic Hawaiian
Johnny Helm Duo 8-11pm
Dave & Busters 589-2215
Pau Hana Fridays Live Local Bands
Varying Hawaiian Artists 6-8pm
Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Maunualua 4-6pm
Kamuela Kahoana Duo (12/5) 9:30 -12am
Tahiti Rey Duo (12/12) 9:30 -12am
Christian Yrizarry Duo (12/19) 9:30 -12am
Randy & Kanoe Duo (12/26) 9:30 -12am
Five-O Bar & Lounge 922-0550
Live Island Reggae
Kimo Opiana 9-12am
Gordon Biersch 599-4877
Live Contemporary, R&B, Funk
Ben & Malia 5:30-9pm
Mojo 9 - 12:30am
Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383
Live Contemporary
Johnny Helm 5-7pm
Mantra 10-12am
House Without a Key 923-2311
Live Hawaiian & Hula by Kanoe Miller
Hiram Olsen Trio 5:30 - 8:00pm
Hula Grill 923-HULA
Live Traditional Hawaiian with dancer
David Asing & Alika Souza 7-9pm
Hy's Steak House 922-5555
Live Soft Contemporary
Audy Kimura 6:30-10pm
Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383
Live Contemporary
Johnny Helm 5-7pm
Mantra 9-11pm
Jimmy Buffett's at the Beachcomber 791-1200
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Missing Dave 9:30 - 11:30pm
Kani Ka Pila Grille 924-4992
Live Hawaiian Contemporary
Ho'okena 6-9pm
LBLE at the Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel 922-0811
Live Contemporary Pop/Rock
Sunway 6-9pm
Lewers Lounge 923-2311
Live Contemporary Jazz
Maggie Herron & Rocky Holmes 8:30-12:30am
LuLu's 926-5222
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
Manoa DNA 6-9 p.m.
Vinyl Wine 10-12:30am
Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian 923-7311
Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Hula Dancer
Kapala Duo 6:30-9:30pm
Michel's at the Colony Surf 923-6552

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Live Slack Key Stylings & Jazz
 Jeff Peterson & Ernie Provencher 6:30-10pm
Roy's Hawaii Kai 396-7697
Keyboardist
 Brian Robert Shaw 6:30-9:30pm
Roy's Ko Olina 676-7697
Slack Key Guitar
 Chris Rego 5:30-8pm
Rumfire 921-4600
Live Contemporary Rock
 Johnna Padeken 5-8pm
 DJ Euphoric 8:30pm-12:30am
SWIM at the Hyatt 923-1234
Contemporary Classic
 Taimane 6-7pm
The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600
Live Hawaiian music with a fire dancer at 7:30 p.m.
 Brad Kawakami 1:30-3:30pm
 Delima Ohana Duo 6:30-8:30pm
The Study at the Modern 943-5800
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Tahiti Rey 6:30-9:30pm
Tiki's Grill & Bar 923-TIKI
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kaleo Del Sol 5-7pm
 Vaihi 7:30-9:30pm
 Tahiti Rey Duo 10-12am

Tropics Bar & Grill 949-4321
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Piranha Brothers 3:30-6:30pm
 Nohelani Cypriano 8:00-10:30pm

SATURDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233
Beach BBQ with Live Contemporary Hits
 Chris Salvador 5:30-8:30pm
Bin1901 at the Moana 921-4600
Piano Wine Bar
 Scott Smith 6:30-9:30pm
Chart House Waikiki 941-6660
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Tito Berinobis & Billy Beimes 7-12pm
Cheeseburger Waikiki 941-2400
Contemporary Hawaiian
 Alex or Aku 6:30-9:30pm
Cheesecake Factory 924-5001
Classic Hawaiian
 Dennis McLees Duo 8-11pm
Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268
Live Hawaiian Entertainment
 Beach 5 (12/6) 4-6pm
 Kona Chang (12/13) 4-6pm
 Simple Sessions (12/20) 4-6pm
 Vaihi (12/27) 4-6pm
 Kai Roots Duo (12/6) 9:30-12am
 Christian Yrizarry Duo (12/13) 9:30-12am
 Chris Murphy Duo (12/20) 9:30-12am
 Darrell Aquino Duo (12/27) 9:30-12am
Five-O Bar & Lounge 922-0550
Live Island Reggae

Live Contemporary Slack Key & Jazz
 Jeff Peterson 7-11pm
Roy's Hawaii Kai 396-7697
Acoustic Guitar
 Jimmy Funai 6-9:30pm
Roy's Ko Olina 676-7697
Slack Key Guitar
 Chris Rego 5:30-8pm
Rumfire 921-4600
Live Contemporary Rock
 Tavana McMoore 5-8pm
 DJ Betty 8:30pm-12:30am
Sunrise Pool Bar at the Modern 943-5800
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Kainalu 5-8pm
SWIM at the Hyatt 923-1234
Contemporary Acoustic followed by karaoke at 8
 Randy Allen & Kanoe Gibson 5-8pm
The Edge at the Sheraton 921-4600
Live Hawaiian music with a fire dancer at 7:30 p.m.
 John Valentine 1:30-3:30pm
 Tino Jacobs Duo 6:30-8:30pm
Tiki's Grill & Bar 923-TIKI
Live Contemporary Hawaiian & Reggae
 Johnny Helm 5-7pm
 Sani and Friends (or others) 7:30-9:30pm
 Ellsworth Simeona 10-1am
Tropics Bar & Grill 949-4321
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Henry Kaponno 4-6pm
 Juke Joint 6:30-9:30pm

SUNDAY

Barefoot Beach Café at Queen's Beach 924-2233
Live Instrumental Guitar
 Paul Wilcox 11am-2pm
Chart House Waikiki 941-6660
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Dean & Dean 6-9pm
Cheesecake Factory 924-5001
Classic Hawaiian
 Chris Murphy Duo 8-11pm
Duke's Canoe Club Waikiki 922-2268
Live Hawaiian Entertainment
 Henry Kaponno 4-6pm
 Kapena Delima (12/7) 9:30-12am
 Aina Folk (12/14) 9:30-12am
 Typical Hawaiians (12/21) 9:30-12am
 Kaioa Duo (12/28) 9:30-12am
Hard Rock Cafe 955-7383
Live Contemporary
 Brothers Rize 5-7pm
 EMKE (or others) 9-11pm
House Without a Key 923-2311
Live Hawaiian & Hula by Debbie Nakanelua
 Pa'ahana 5:30-8:00pm
Hula Grill 923-HULA
Live Traditional Hawaiian with dancer
 Art Kalahiki Duo 7-9pm
Jimmy Buffett's at the Beachcomber 791-1200
Live Contemporary Hawaiian
 Randy Allen 7:30-10:00pm

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Kani Ka Pila Grille	924-4992
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian Masters on stage</i>	
Hoku Suttermeister	6-9pm
Kelley O'Neil's	926-1777
<i>Live Irish Music</i>	
Various Celtic Bands	4-7pm
LBLE at the Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel	922-0811
<i>Live, Energetic Mix of Pop and Rock Hits</i>	
Pushoverse	6-9pm
Lewers Lounge	923-2311
<i>Live Contemporary & Light Jazz</i>	
Noly Pa'a	8:30pm - 12am
LuLu's	926-5222
<i>Acoustic R&B</i>	
Simple Soulz	7-10pm
Mai Tai Bar at the Royal Hawaiian	923-7311
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian with Hula Dancer</i>	
Eric Lee Duo	6:30-9:30pm
Michel's at the Colony Surf	923-6552
<i>Classical Slack Key & Jazz Stylings</i>	
Jeff Peterson	6-9pm
Roy's Ko Olina	676-7697
<i>Slack Key Guitar</i>	
Chris Rego	5:30-8pm
Rumfire	921-4600
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
Jonny Yong	5-8pm
Twilight Audio	8:30pm-12:30am
SWIM at the Hyatt	923-1234
<i>Contemporary, Pop, Rock</i>	
Sunway	6 - 9pm
The Edge at the Sheraton	922-4422
<i>Live Hawaiian music with a fire dancer at 7:30 p.m.</i>	
Dave Watanabe	1:30-3:30pm
Ellsworth Simeona Duo	6:30-8:30pm
The Study at the Modern	943-5800
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian & Jazz</i>	
Jeremy Cheng	6-9pm
Smooth Jazz (vaying artists)	10- 2am
Tiki's Grill & Bar	923-TIKI
<i>Live Contemporary Hawaiian</i>	
Vaihi	6-9pm
Ellsworth Simeona	9-11pm
Tropics Bar & Grill	949-4321
<i>Live Contemporary Rock & Hawaiian</i>	
Piranha Brothers	2-5pm
Beach 5	5:30 - 8:30pm



Hot Lines

Here's a few numbers for you to find out the latest in live music from places that change daily or don't update us regularly, since we can't possible list them all,

Gordon Biersch	599-4877
Irish Rose Saloon	947-3414
Kelley O'Neil's	926-1777
Mai Tai Bar Ala Moana	947-2900
Moose McGillycuddy's	923-0751

Dining Dish



The **Sheraton Waikiki** has begun a "Table-to-Farm" dining series that offers guests a dining experience at one of Starwood's restaurants, the opportunity to visit the local farm that produced the food used in their meal, meet the farmers, hear their story and experience firsthand how their dining experience the prior night came to be. Award-winning *Executive Sous Chef Colin Hazama* oversees the Table-to-Farm experience, providing helpful cooking tips and innovative cooking techniques. Partner winemakers take part by answering food/wine pairing questions. The second of six dinners in the series takes place this month and is listed under our Dining Calendar to the right.

Looking to go out, get some food, a few beers and some holiday shopping? Do it all at once at the Holiday ReinBeer Bash. **REAL a gastropub** will close off 22 parking stalls in front of the restaurant to create this outdoor Holiday Event with craft beers with Christmas inspired beers and cocktail bar, pub food, live music by Streetlight Cadence and Mike Izon, Chalk Art by Erin Miller, Fashion Booths and Styling Tips, Creative Art by Soul Signature Tattoo & Art Gallery, Custom hand-made balms and oils with all natural botanicals and Sea Glass Jewelry by SEALE glass from Hawaii. Stop by between 7 - 11 p.m. on December 6th. 21 and older only, \$2 admission. realgastropub.com.

• **Giovanni Pastrami** is giving away another huge giveaway during Monday Night Football in December. Join in the Monday Night Football fun as the Falcons take on the Packers on December 8th for a chance to win a trip for two to the live San Diego Chargers vs San Francisco 49ers game on December 19th. Winner will be drawn at halftime. Prize includes includes roundtrip air for two on Hawaiian Airlines Dec 19-21, hotel accommodations, and impossible to score NFL tickets to the brand new AT&T stadium! Must be present during halftime of the game when one lucky winner will be randomly selected. Runner up prizes include a \$400 Hawaiian Airlines gift card and a two night stay in Kona. Local residents, 21 years and older only. 923-2100.

• **Du Vin** has launched new menu items to accompany their signature favorites like French Onion Soup, Escargot, Artisan cheeses, and charcuterie. *Chef Daniel Kawamoto* has expanded the existing menu to include several new items on the menu. For Happy Hour, available from 4 - 6 p.m., Monday through Sunday there are now Table-Side Charcuterie Sandwiches, Baked Oysters Du Vin, House-Made Meatballs that vary weekly, a smaller portion of their signature Steamed Mussels and Mushroom Cargot for you non-snail loving people out there. Lunch has added brought a Classic Cobb Salad and Scallop Salad to the menu, while dinner patrons can tuck into Fresh Oysters on the Half Shell, Crispy Duck Confit, Coq Au Vin, Lamb Loin Chops, Pan-Seared Scallops and a Pear Salad. brasserieduvin.com. 545-1115.

• Finally stopped by the new **Liliha Bakery** on Nimiz. Some of their menu items were really good and not what I expected from the iconic restaurant, although personally, their hamburger steak had way too many onions for me, but to each their own. They did a nice job with the location and have fixed the parking issue. Coco Puff lovers feel free to head on over! Open daily from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m, the bakery stays open until midnight! lilihabakeryhawaii.com.

• **Heavenly Restaurant** has opened in the former Cha Cha Cha

Salsaria location next to the Shoreline Hotel on Seaside. It's a cute little place with wooden tables and an emphasis on local, organic and healthy cuisine. There were some dishes I really liked. The Manoa Lettuce wrap was delicious as was the Hainanese Chicken Rice dish and the Shinsato Pork Ginger Sauté. The Kahuku Shrimp Ravioli with Nalo Cream Sauce was so close. The cream sauce was one of the most amazing, vibrant flavors I have tasted in a while, but unfortunately the ravioli were underdone. Chalking it up to growing pains because the menu shows a lot of promise. Open from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. for breakfast and lunch and from 5 p.m. to midnight for dinner. heavenly-waikiki.com. 923-1100.

• **Mexico Cantina** has opened in Ward Center. Open Sunday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., and Friday & Saturday, 10 a.m. to Midnight. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are all served until 10 p.m. Can't wait to check this one out. 596-4964. ~ Pam



Dining Calendar

December 5: *Sheraton Waikiki* presents a special Table to Farm dinner series featuring an in-depth look into Hawaii's cheese, butter and cream industry as Chef Colin Hazama prepares a special dinner at the ocean front restaurant Edge of Waikiki followed by a private tour of Naked Cow Dairy the next day at 10 a.m. to learn where and how the plated fresh farm dairy was sourced. Dinner \$103, with wine pairing is \$133, dinner only with a private farm tour picnic is \$170, and dinner with wine pairing with tour and picnic is \$200 per person. 921-4600.

December 6: *REAL a gastropub* presents a Holiday ReinBeer Bash, an outdoor Holiday event featuring craft beers, live music by Streetlight Cadence and Mike Izon, music, art, fashion and food. \$2 admission. 7-11 p.m. 739-8760.

December 10: *VINO* presents two events this night, both featuring Shinsato Farms Pork. First he will be creating special menu items featuring all parts of the pig on the menu all night until they sell out. Additionally there will be a special Wine & Pork event where 4 wines will be paired with a Shinsato Pork dish chef creates. \$29++. 533-4476.

December 17: *VINO* presents A la Carte Night. Chef Keith Endo will prepare the specials in the dining room. See the food before ordering. 6:30 p.m. 533-4476.

December 24, 25 & 31: *Christmas and New Years Eve* brings special menus, hours and buffets at most of your favorite restaurants. Call early for reservations.

Mondays: *Brasserie du Vin* has combined their weekly wine dinner and tasting events into one, Behind the Cellar Door. 6:30 p.m. 545-1115.

Wednesdays: *Beachhouse at the Moana* hosts a weekly wine tasting on the lanai with pupus and parking. \$19++. 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. 923-2861.

Wednesdays: *Bar 35:* For eight years, House of Brews has been hosting weekly beer tastings with different themes that feature around 6-8 beers, while enjoying Chef Valentini's appetizers. \$25. 6 p.m. 537-3535.

DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Continuing Events

MONDAY – FRIDAY LYON ARBORETUM TOURS

The lush gardens at the top of the University of Hawai'i Manoa are open for guided tours daily. Knowledgeable guides will introduce the highlights of the botanical rainforest's 193.6 acres. Reservations required. Limit of 12 participants daily. Donations accepted. 988-0461.

MONDAY-FRIDAY FOSTER BOTANICAL GARDENS

Guided garden tours of rare and beautiful plants from tropical regions throughout the world. Foster Botanical Gardens, 50 N. Vineyard. 1 p.m. Adults: \$5. Reservations recommended. 522-7066.

TUESDAYS TOURS OF THE HAWAII THEATRE

Get a behind-the-scenes tour of this historic theatre including history, architecture, and a performance on the 1922 Robert Morton theatre organ. Hawaii Theatre. 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. \$10. 528-0506.

TUESDAYS KU HA'AHEO

An afternoon of hula from multiple groups featuring adults and keiki performing contemporary and traditional dance and music led by kumu hula Blaine Kamalani Kia. Waikiki Beach Walk Plaza Lawn. 4:30 – 6 p.m. FREE. waikikibeachwalk.com or 931-3591.

TUESDAYS • KCC FARMERS MARKET

The Saturday Market is so popular they added another day. Head up to Kapiolani Community College to stock up on fresh, island produce, seafood, flowers and more, from several dozen vendors. 4 – 7 p.m. Free. 848-2074.

FIRST & THIRD TUESDAYS MEET THE MONK SEALS!

Learn about monk seals in the wild and meet two resident seals up close. Designed for participants 7 and up but anyone is welcome. Waikiki Aquarium. 3 p.m. \$4 – \$6. waquarium.org or 923-9741.

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS FRESH FARMERS MARKET AT THE HYATT

Due to its overwhelming success, the Hyatt has added another day of their popular Farmers Market for visitors and locals to stock up on fresh local organic fruits, vegetables, jams, honeys, baked goods and more. Stop by twice throughout the ground floor of the Pualeilani Atrium Shops. 4 – 8 p.m. Waikiki.hyatt.com.

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS & SUNDAYS TOUR AND TEA AT THE HONOLULU ACADEMY OF ARTS

Tours are led by volunteer docents and designed for visitors, who would like to explore the galleries, learn more about art and culture, and socialize over a cup of tea. Docents lead discussions in the galleries and offer insight into many cultures and time periods. 2:30 – 4 p.m. in selected galleries. Free with admission; beverage donations welcomed. Reservations required. 532-8700.

TUESDAY – SATURDAY MISSION HOUSES MUSEUM GUIDED TOURS

Visit the Printing Office and Frame House while learning about the 19th century history and culture preserved at this beautiful museum. Galleries also open to explore on your own. Mission Houses Museum. Tues. – Sat. 11 a.m. & 2:45 p.m.; Tues. – Fri. 1 p.m. \$6 – \$10. 531-0481 or missionhouses.org.

SECOND WEDNESDAY (NOVEMBER 12) STARGAZING

The Hokulani Imaginarium puts on a live star show while teaching about the mythology surrounding constellations. Windward CC, 45-720 Keaahala Rd., Kaneohe. 7 p.m. Adults \$7, Keiki (ages 4-12) \$5. Tickets: aerospace.wcc.hawaii.edu/imaginarium.html or 235-7433.

WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS CHADO – THE WAY OF TEA

Japanese enthusiasts can experience the traditional tea ceremony (chanoyu) as it was meant to be both seen and taught at the Urasenke Foundation of Hawaii. No prior knowledge required. Demos at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. \$5. 923-3059.

SECOND THURSDAY (DECEMBER 11) COURTYARD CINEMA

Ward Village hosts its monthly film series event, Courtyard Cinema, on the 2nd Thursday of each month. The showing features free popcorn, refreshments, food vendors and entertainment. Courtyard Cinema is free and open to the public. Seating is limited. Reserve your tickets and learn more about future shows at wardvillagecourtyardcinema.com.

THIRD THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 20) DOWNTOWN GALLERY WALK & CRAFT FAIR

The Arts at Marks Garage continues to build on downtown activities offering execs an excuse to hang out after work and giving everyone else a reason to head downtown. Free. 521-2903. artsatmarks.com.

FRIDAYS CULTURAL CRAFT FAIR

The Hyatt has had so much success with its weekly Framers Market featuring fresh local produce that they are applying the same principle to local craft items. Each week the craft fair will feature local vendors featuring arts & crafts, jewelry, photography, woodwork and more. 3 – 7 p.m. Waikiki.hyatt.com.

FIRST FRIDAY (DECEMBER 5) DOWNTOWN GALLERY WALK & CRAFT FAIR

Art lovers are advised to head to downtown Honolulu the first Friday of each month. This event has exploded into a downtown party with galleries and studios open for exhibitions, artist demonstrations, and special performances. 23 galleries and art-related retail shops, restaurants and museums participate. Downtown Honolulu/ Chinatown. 6 – 9 p.m. Free. 521-2903 or artsatmarks.com.

FIRST & THIRD FRIDAYS (DECEMBER 5 & 19) THE SKY TONIGHT

Learn about our Hawaiian skies and current events in space at the J. Watumull Planetarium. Bishop Museum. 8 p.m. No late seating. GA \$6, Keiki \$4. 848-4168 or bishopmuseum.org.

FINAL FRIDAY • ART AFTER DARK

Art After Dark is on hiatus until January.

SATURDAYS KCC FARMERS MARKET

Fresh island produce, seafood, flowers and more are available from over two-dozen vendors at Kapiolani Community College. Free. 7:30-11 a.m. 848-2074.

SATURDAYS KAKA'AKO FARMERS MARKET

The Farmer's Market held Saturdays at Ala Moana has moved to Kaka'ako in light of the construction around Sears these days. Check out an abundance of treats from around our islands. Their new home is at Ward Warehouse between Ward and Kamakee Streets. Free. 9:00 a.m. - 1 p.m. 388-9696 or haleiwafarmersmarket.com.

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS ART ON THE ZOO FENCE

More than 35 local artists display their works on the Zoo fence on Monsarrat Avenue opposite the Kapiolani Park Bandstand. Works for sale include original paintings, prints and photographs. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Free. artonthefence.com.

SECOND SATURDAY (DECEMBER 13) DOWNTOWN GALLERY WALK & CRAFT FAIR

First Friday has become such a success that events carry over to the second Saturday. HiSAM, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. 586-0900. Other events around downtown Honolulu all afternoon. Free. 521-2903 or artsatmarks.com.

NA MELE NO NA PUA SUNDAY SHOWCASE (DECEMBER 14)

Waikiki Beach Walk has brought back its popular monthly free concert series with the All Star Band every third Sunday at the Plaza Stage from 5 – 6 p.m. waikikibeachwalk.com.

BANK OF HAWAII FREE SUNDAY (DECEMBER 21) • HONOLULU MUSEUM OF ART

Since 2004, Bank of Hawaii has made it possible for the Honolulu Museum of Art to open its doors to the public free of charge on the third Sunday of every month. Activities include art activities, entertainment and films. The month celebrates the holidays with Filipino cultural traditions. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Free. 532-8700.

DECEMBER 1-6 VANS WORLD CUP OF SURFING

The second jewel in the Vans Triple Crown is Off the Wall and steeped in tradition at the Sunset Beach, home of a notoriously long, unruly and potentially one of the biggest waves of the Crown. The event will not take place every day, but on the three best surf days. Check vanstriplecrownofsurfing.com daily.

DECEMBER 5 JAKE SHIMABUKURO & FRIENDS CONCERT



Local fave Jake Shimabukuro puts together his 3rd annual concert with some of his favorite musicians to close out his worldwide Uke Nations Tour. The evening will also showcase a reunion with Jake and his very first band, Pure Heart, which hasn't played together in nearly 15 years. Tickets: \$20-\$60. 8 p.m. Blaisdell Concert Hall. blaisdellcenter.com or jakeshimabukuro.com.

DECEMBER 6 HERB ALBERT & LANI HALL IN CONCERT

Jazz Legend Herb Albert and his wife Lani Hall bring their "In the Mood" Concert tour to Honolulu for one night. The 79-year old jazz veteran has been on top of the charts for nearly 5 decades and its been 35 years since his hit "Rise" broke nearly every record out there, but he shows no sign of slowing down. His version of "Putting on the Ritz" brought him his ninth Grammy less than a year ago. Don't miss this extraordinary night of music. Tickets \$45-\$95. Blaisdell Concert Hall 7:30 p.m. ticketmaster.com or (800) 745-3000.

DECEMBER 6 - 31 HONOLULU CITY LIGHTS

It's the time of year downtown lights up in celebration every night of the season. Watch the Electric Light Parade along King Street kick everything off on 12/6 at 4 p.m. followed by the lighting of the 50-foot tree at 6 p.m. The festive lights and decorations stay up through January 2nd, reservations on the trolleys are recommended. honolulucitylights.com. 768-6622.

DECEMBER CALENDAR OF

DECEMBER 7

XTERRA TRAIL RUN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

This 21-kilometer half-marathon course is considered a world championship course, and it takes runners through some of the most diverse – and scenic – terrain on the planet. No qualifying process so anyone can enter the 21K championship course, a 10K, a 5K, or an “adventure walk.” 9 a.m. – noon. Kualoa Ranch. xterraplanet.com.

DECEMBER 7 ALII SUNDAY

Kawaiahao Church celebrates select Hawaiian Royalty (Alii) who are of particular importance for the Church by holding seven special Sunday services in their honor around their birthdays throughout the year. Today they celebrate King Kamehameha V. 9 a.m. kawaiahao.org.

DECEMBER 8-20 BILLABONG PIPE MASTERS

The third and final jewel in the Vans Triple Crown is the most prized event of the season and decides the ASP World Champion, and Triple Crown champion of the Hawaiian winter surf season. Pipeline. The event will not take place every day, but on the three best surf days. Check website for updates. vanstriplecrownofsurfing.com

DECEMBER 11 & 12 JASON MRAZ IN CONCERT



Two-time Grammy Award winner, multi-platinum singer/songwriter Jason Mraz returns to Honolulu for two nights of intimate performances including his blockbuster hits such as “I’m Yours” as “The Remedy”. Tickets: \$25-\$75. Blaisdell Concert Hall. 7:30 p.m. ticketmaster.com or (800) 745-3000.

DECEMBER 12-14 HAWAII KALIKIMAKA

Robert Cazimero brings special guest star, Starr Kalahiki and his award-winning halau for a special weekend of holiday performances including hula by Miss Aloha Hula 2014, Miss & Master Keiki Hula 2014 and many more. \$30-\$75. Hawaii Theatre. 7:30 p.m. 528-0506. HawaiiTheatre.com

DECEMBER 13 SANTA PADDLES INTO WAIKIKI

In what has become a holiday tradition, Santa arrives Hawaiian-style surfing into the beach on his canoe in front of the Outrigger Waikiki on the Beach. Hundreds line the shore to welcome St. Nick including a keiki halau. Santa then heads into the lobby of the Outrigger Waikiki for picture op and a complimentary meet and greet. Free. Open to the public. 9 a.m. 923-0711.

DECEMBER 14 • ALII SUNDAY

Kawaiahao Church celebrates select Hawaiian Royalty (Alii) who are of particular importance for the Church by holding seven special Sunday services in their honor around their birthdays throughout the year. Today they celebrate Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop. 9 a.m. kawaiahao.org.

DECEMBER 10-13 HONOLULU MARATHON EXPO

Free and open to the public. Hours vary daily, usually around 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Souvenir sales will be at the expo as well as massages, sports gels, sunglasses and lots more on offer at the Marathon Expo and at Kapiolani Park after the race and again on Monday. Kamehameha Hall. Hawaii Convention Center. honolulu-marathon.org.

DECEMBER 12

HONOLULU MARATHON CONCERT/LUAU

Pre-race festivities include All-You-Can-Eat Buffet and Hawaiian entertainment. Waikiki Shell. Tickets available for purchase by race entrants only. \$50-\$125. 4 - 8:30 p.m. honolulu-marathon.org.

DECEMBER 13

53RD ANNUAL HOLIDAY CONCERT

Ring in the holiday season as the Honolulu Youth Chorus performs holiday favorites from around the world in one of the islands more historic locations. Free. Kawaiahao Church. 7 p.m. hyoc.org.

DECEMBER 14 HONOLULU MARATHON

With around 25,000 runners each year, the Honolulu Marathon is up there with the big ones such as Boston, New York, Chicago and London. There are so many runners from Japan they make it large enough to compete with Boston and usually comprise around 60% of the total runners. On your marks, the gun goes off at 5 a.m. at Ala Moana Beach Park. Prepare for closed roads and traffic delays. The winners will return to Kapiolani Park on Monday at 10 a.m. to sign autographs. honolulu-marathon.org.

DECEMBER 19-21 THE NUTCRACKER

The holiday traditions continue with this classic presented by Ballet Hawaii featuring principal dancers from the New York City Ballet, the Royal Ballet of Flanders and The Australian Ballet accompanied by the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra. Fri. & Sat. 7:30 p.m. Sun. 2 p.m. Blaisdell Concert Hall. Tickets \$35 - \$99. 800-745-3000. BalletHawaii.org.

DECEMBER 20

HAWAII KAI HOLIDAY BOAT PARADE

Head on over to the Hawaii Kai Towne Center, grab a seat and watch the 18th annual Christmas Boat Parade as the elaborately decorated boats make their way around the marina. Concert at 4:30 p.m. Parade begins around 6:30 p.m. hawaii-kaitownecenter.com.

DECEMBER 22-25

DIAMOND HEAD CLASSIC

This 6th annual college basketball tournament will consist of eight teams competing in twelvgame over three days in a traditional bracket format. \$10. Stan Sheriff Center. diamondheadclassic.com. 956-6955

DECEMBER 24

SANTA PADDLES INTO GRAY'S

Missed Santa earlier this month paddling into the beach? Not to worry, there's another chance. The Head over to Grays Beach to see Santa paddle to shore in an outrigger canoe for all to see at 10 a.m. before he disappears into the Halekulani. 923-2311.

DECEMBER 24

HAWAII BOWL 2014

This Christmas Eve tradition will be televised nationally on ESPN with teams to be announced in the near future. 3 – 5 p.m. Aloha Stadium. Get your tickets at sheratonhawaii-bowl.com

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honolulu city lights

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Gallery, the public wreath contest will use the same theme with wreaths created by the community.

Santa will be in the Mission Memorial Auditorium for free photos with Santa next to Honolulu Hale until 9 pm. At 7:30 p.m. on the big stage at Sky Gate, the Tom Moffatt Productions Holiday Concert will begin. The headliner is Willie K with his band, scheduled to take the stage at 9:10 p.m. On stage between 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. catch the Sounds of Aloha Barbershop Chorus, Halau Hula Olana, Maunaloa, and Hawaii singer Ciana Pelekai from *America's Got Talent*.

The Friends of Honolulu City Lights will be selling themed ornaments from 2000 to 2014 from a booth on King Street. All proceeds from the sale of the ornaments, and the 30th anniversary T-shirts are used to insure that Honolulu City Lights always remains free to residents and visitors.

King Street will remain closed until 8:30 p.m. so fans and families can visit the floats. At 9 p.m., the street will open and motorists will be able to drive slowly in the mauka, mountain-side lane so they can see the lights and the festivities.

Those who can't make it downtown on December 6th, can tune in to Olelo Channel 54 at 6 p.m. to watch the tree lighting and parade live. Then at 7:30 p.m., HMTV will cablecast the three hour concert live on Olelo Channel 53.

Honolulu City Lights will be open daily, including Christmas Day and New Year's Day, from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. The holiday celebration will close on January 2, 2015.

Several "Special Nights" are being planned this year by HCL sponsors. They include; Dec. 13 and 20, 7-9 p.m. Free photos with Santa in Honolulu Hale Courtyard. On Dec. 13, 6-8 p.m. Free Ornament Craft Night at Honolulu Hale grounds, and on Dec. 19th, 6:30 to 9 p.m. free milk and cookies will be served out front of Honolulu Hale.

opening night schedule

4:00 pm Food booths and keiki rides open

6:00 pm Mayor's tree lighting ceremony begins on steps of Honolulu Hale. Electric Light Parade leaves Aala Park and proceeds down King Street

6:30 pm 50-foot Norfolk tree is illuminated triggering the "corridor of lights". Parade reaches King and Punchbowl streets. Decorated trees and wreath displays open in Honolulu Hale Courtyard. Santa visits with children in Mission Memorial Auditorium.

7:30 pm Holiday concert, headlined by Willie K., gets underway at Sky Gate stage. Parade vehicles park on King Street for one hour

11:00 pm Courtyard closes, reopens at 8 a.m. through New Year's Day

Honolulu City Lights is one of those "only in Hawaii" moments, albeit a month long, that we can share with all our visitors and families. Downtown Honolulu is a halfway point for those working in and visiting Waikiki. Bishop Square is a forest of lights. Take a slow drive down Beretania, past multiple light displays. Turn left on Bishop Street and drive by Bishop Square, then turn left again on King Street and pass Iolani Palace, lighted as it was for Queen Lili'uokalani then take the slow lane past Honolulu Hale and make the loop again.

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Ring in the New Year!

We know you're already being asked what the New Year's Eve options are, so we've done our best to try find out some early info for you. Every restaurant in town has a special menu or hours so call ahead. Lots of details aren't close to being finalized and many events haven't been announced yet, but this should give you a head start!

5th annual NYE 'Party of the Year'

Kaka'ako Waterfront Park again offers something for all age groups starting at 6 p.m. There will be Eat The Street food trucks, national DJs and bands still to be announced, a beer garden, carnival rides, VIP sections and multiple firework shows until the grand finale ushers in the new year at midnight. Visit nyehawaii.com for tickets & updates.

Atlantis Adventures NYE Cruise

Celebrate New Years Eve aboard the Navatek enjoying amazing views of the fireworks, dinner, live entertainment and dancing. Departs at 10:30 p.m., returns at 12:45 a.m. Tickets available from \$163 for standard seating, \$183 for window seating. Call 973-1311 for information. atlantisadventures.com.

Bill Maher NYE Concert

It's the 4rd annual Aloha Tour. Let the 'equal opportunity offender' start your NYE off hilariously. You never know who will show up on stage with him, last year it was Eddie Vedder, Sean Penn and Michael Moore made surprise appearances on stage. Tickets: \$45-\$150. Blaisdell Concert Hall. 8 p.m. rpbconcerts.com.

Celebrate NYE at LBLE

LBLE in the Hilton Waikiki Beach will be having 2014 Na Hoku award winner YOZA perform from 9:30-12:30 a.m with a champagne toast.

Flash & Blaise Blow up Buho Cantina

Ring in the New Year with the promoters that bring you some of the best parties all year. Flash & Blaise presents NYE 2015 at Buho Cantina. 9 p.m - 2 am, 21+ only. Keep your eyes on Facebook for all the info as it comes available. Pre-sale tickets available at Flavorus.com.

NYE Lux at the Trump Casino Royale

The black-tie version of this popular event brings entertainment by Jordan Sugundo, Tahiti Rey, Al Waterson and DJ Dana Kruse, champagne, casino, and six fine-cuisine food stations each with paired beverages. \$350. a variety of VIP packages from \$100-\$1200. 8:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. Only 300 tickets available. NewYearsEveHonolulu.com.

M Nightclub's NYE Block Party

M Nightclub and Tantriq Entertainment will host their annual New Year's Eve Block Party. Being hailed as "A Star-Studded New Year's Eve" featuring all the glitz and glamour of Old Hollywood. Guests will reminisce of times past and toast to future endeavors while ringing in 2015 at this sparkling soiree. Featuring indoor and outdoor stages, fashionable party favors, complimentary champagne toast, and view of the fireworks at midnight. 9 p.m. and lasting until 4 a.m. Tickets start at \$30. VIP \$50, VIP packages begin at \$400 for a group of 4. Flavorus.com/MNLHNL



Ala Moana Center once again invited industry members to a special evening of holiday festivities including, sampling some of the cuisine from various restaurants, seeing the brand new Holiday Hula show, a fun random sighting of Dog the Bounty Hunter (*yikes, where are those pics?*), valuable updates on the Center's construction progress and their new stores and of course, tons of prizes. It's always one of the favorite events of the year. AlaMoanaCenter.com



That's Entertainment

HOTELS

- HALE KOA HOTEL** 955-0555
 •**TuSat** - High and Right Comedy Show takes the stage at the Warriors Lounge at 8pm.
 •**MThFS** - Poolside music at the Barefoot Bar. 6-11pm
- HALEKULANI HOTEL** 923-2311
 •**Daily**-Hawaiian Music and hula at The House Without A Key from 5:30-8:00pm.
 •**Daily**-Live Contemporary and light Jazz at Lewers Lounge from 8:30pm to midnite.
 •**Sun**- Sunday brunch at Orchids features Noly Paa on the piano from 9:30 - 2:30pm.
- HILTON HAWAIIAN VILLAGE** 949-4321
 •**Fri** - Fireworks at 7:45pm.
 •**Fri** - The Rockin' Hawaiian Rainbow Revue (formerly the King's Jubilee), a musical salute to King Kalakaua, at the Super Pool. 7 pm.
 •**FriSat** - Olomana at the Tapa Bar from 8-11pm.
 •**Sun** - Jeff Apaka at the Tapa Bar from 5-7pm.
 •**Daily** - Live entertainment at the Hau Tree Bar and the Tapa Bar from 8-11pm.
- THE KAHALA HOTEL** 739-8888
 •**TuWThFSat** - David Swanson vocalizes on the piano at The Veranda from 7:30-11pm. Live Jazz on Sun/Mon.
- MOANA SURFRIDER** 922-3111
 •**Daily**-Hawaiian music & hula. The Banyan Court, 6-8 pm, and again from 8 -11 p.m. Weekends from 11:30- 2 p.m.
 •**MWFri**-Guided historical tours at 11am.
- NEW OTANI KAIMANA BEACH** 923-1555
 •**FSat**- Local jazz guitarists plays live in the Sunset Lanai Bar. 6-9pm.
- OUTRIGGER WAIKIKI ON THE BEACH** 923-0711
 •**Mon**- Kukui Nut Bracelet Making. 1pm.
 •**Th**- Ukulele Lessons. 1pm.
 •**Fri**- Aloha Fridays bring back old Hawai'i with music, hula, ukulele & lei making lessons. 9am-1pm.
- OUTRIGGER REEF ON THE BEACH** 923-3111
 •**Daily**- See guest artists at work in Kuloko Arts of Hawaii 9am-1pm and again from 6-9pm.
- SHERATON PRINCESS KAIULANI** 922-5811
 •**Daily**-Live Hawaiian music & halau at the lounge from 6-8:30pm, then poolside from 8:30-10:30pm.
 •**Th**-Princess Kaiulani historical tour at 9:30am.
- THE ROYAL HAWAIIAN** 923-7311
 •**TTH**- Free guided resort tour at 1pm.
- TURTLE BAY RESORT** 293-6300
 •**MTWThFSat**- Lei Making, Main Lobby at 10am.
 •**ThSun** - Fire Dancer, Hang Ten Pool Bar at Sunset

- TThFri** - Shell Hula Lessons, Lobby at 10am
 •**TThFri** - Ukulele Lessons, Lobby at 9am
 •**Fri**- Music & Hula. Lobby Lounge 6:30-8:30pm.
- WAIKIKI BEACH MARRIOTT RESORT** 922-6611
 •**Daily**-Hawaiian entertainment in The Moana Terrace Bar. 6-9pm.
 •**Fri**-Local crafters "Aloha Friday Fair" Lobby 9a-2pm

MUSEUMS

- HAWAII STATE ART MUSEUM** 586-0900
 •**TWThFSat** - Inaugural exhibition "Enriched by Diversity: The Art of Hawai'i." Free. Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Located in the Capital District.
- HAWAII THEATRE** 528-0506
 •**Tues**- A one-hour guided tour offers a unique insight in the history, art, architecture and restoration of the Hawai'i Theatre with trained docents & a mini-concert on the 1922 Robert Morton Theatre Organ. 11 a.m. Admission: \$10.
- HONOLULU MUSEUM OF ART** 532-8726
 •**MWF**- Japanese Language Tours. Private tours also available. 1pm. Regular admission.
- IOLANI PALACE** 522-0832
 •**Mon-Sat**-45 minutes docent-led or self-guided audio tours available in English or Japanese. Japanese-led tour is available only at 11:30 a.m. All tours include re-tour video and entrance into the Palace Galleries. Adults: \$14.75-\$21.75 / Keiki (5-12): \$6. 9am-5pm
 •**Sat**-Hawaiian Quilt Classes. Old Archives 9:30a-12p.
- LUCORAL MUSEUM** 922-5381
 •**TTh**- Learn how to plan your jewelry project and more in this beaded jewelry workshop \$10. 2-4 p.m.
- MISSION HOUSES MUSEUM** 447-3910
 •**Tue-Sat**-Learn about the dramatic story of cultural change in 19th-century Hawai'i. Docents lead tours through the oldest existing frame house in the Islands, Printing Office, and the coral block Chamberlain House. Reservations required. www.missionhouses.org
- PACIFIC AVIATION MUSEUM** 441-1000
 •**Daily**-Vintage aircraft in battlefield hangars. Combat flight simulators. Aviator's Tour takes you through the new Restoration Hangar. Restaurant, Museum Store. Shuttle & Tickets at USS Arizona Memorial Visitor Center or at www.PacificAviationMuseum.org.
- THE SPALDING HOUSE** 526-1322
 •**Daily**-Docent-led tours given daily. 1:30pm. Garden tours or Japanese language tours are by appointment.
- NAVAL AIR MUSEUM BARBERS POINT** 682-3982
 •**Mon-Fri**- A unique museum experience about aviation history in Hawaii. All of the aircraft are open to climb

in, on and around. Tours: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. \$7 / \$5 children under 18. BLDG 1792, Midway Road, Kalaheo Airport. Reservations required. Sat/Sun by appt only. www.nambp.org.

SHOPPING CENTERS

- ALA MOANA CENTERSTAGE** 955-9517
 •**Tues** - PCC Polynesian Revue Show. 6pm.
 •**Sun** - Keiki Hula Show. 10-11am.
- KING'S VILLAGE** www.kings-village.com 237-6344
 •**MW** Famer's Market offering fresh produce, baked goods and local food items from 4-9pm.
 •**Daily** King's Guard Museum features a variety of collectibles and memorabilia. 10a-10:30p. FREE.
- ROYAL HAWAIIAN CENTER** 922-2299
 • **TWThF**- Beginner Ukelele 10-11am, *Helumoa Hale*
 • **MW**- Learn Lomilomi 11am-12pm, Bldg. C, 3rd floor
 • **MF**- Hawaiian Storytelling 12pm, *Helumoa Hale*
 • **TTh**- Intermediate Ukulele 11:30am, Bldg. C, 3rd floor
 • **TTh**-Hula (T) 11am-12pm (Th) 4-5pm, *Royal Grove*
 • **TWThF**- Live Hawaiian music 6-7pm, *Royal Grove*
 • **MTWThSat**- Lei making 1-2pm, *Bldg A, 1st floor*
 • **Sat**- Hula Kahiko 6-6:30pm, *Royal Grove*
 • **Sat**- Hawaiian musicians 7:30-8:30pm, *Royal Grove*
 • **WSat** - PCC Performs. 11-11:45am, *Royal Grove*
- WAIKIKI BEACH WALK** www.waikikibeachwalk.com
 •**Tuesdays** - Ku Ha'aheo featuring Hawaiian song and dance on the Plaza stage. 4:30-6pm
 •**Wednesdays** - Yoga Classes 4-4:45pm. Free.Plaza Stage
- WAIKIKI SHOPPING PLAZA** 923-1191
 •**Daily** Hula Lessons. 10am, 12pm
 • **MTTh** - Polynesian Review 1st & 3rd floor 7-9pm

ATTRACTIONS

- KALAKAUA AVENUE** 527-5666
 •**Fri** - Strolling Hula from 8-10:00pm.
- KAPI'OLANI BANDSTAND** 527-5666
 •**Fri**-Hawai'i's finest musicians perform. 5:30-6:30pm
 •**Sun**-Royal Hawaiian Band performs 2-3:15pm.
- KUHIO BEACH HULA SHOW** 843-8002
 •**TThSat**- City & County presents a free hula show at sunset. 6:30 - 7:30pm at the hula mound.
- TAMARIND PARK - DOWNTOWN** 527-5666
 •**Fri**- Mayor's Aloha Friday Music from 12-1pm features live music from Hawaiian to Jazz to Pop.
- WAIKIKI TOWN CENTER** 922-2724
 •**Mon-Sat**-The songs and dances of Hawai'i, New Zealand, & Tahiti. Free shows begin at 7pm.

EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE PLEASE CALL TO CONFIRM PRIOR TO ATTENDING

PAPARAZZI

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This year the 5th annual EuroCinema Awards Gala was again held at the Westin Moana Surfrider Resort. Enjoying the evening were Massimo Galluzzo and Kelly Sanders, Area Managing Director, Starwood Waikiki.



Film Producer Kent Matsuoka, Creative Industries Division DBED and Tourism chief officer Georja Skinner, HIFF director emeritus Chuck Boller and Film Commissioner Walea Constantinau at the gala.



Annabelle Roberts had her wish granted by Make-A-Wish Hawaii to attend a red carpet event and she even appeared on stage with "Maleficent" Prince Charming actor Brenton Thwaites to accept his Rising Star award.

December 31, 2014

Dole Plantation - 1 FREE Adult Admission To The Maze With Purchase of 1 Adult Admission. 621-8408

Giovanni Pastrami - 15% Off Full Bar, Dine-in or Take-Out at anytime with ID. 227 Lewers St. 923-2100.

Hard Rock Café - 15% off food, beverage (non-alcoholic), or merchandise. Hotel ID required. 280 Beachwalk Ave. 955-7383.

Hawai'i Prince Golf Club - \$5 Off Standard Kamaaina Green Fees. Tee Times: 944-4567

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Hy's Steakhouse - 25% VIP Discount Off Food And Beverage (up to 2 persons) 2440 Kuhio Ave. 922-5555

Hyatt Regency Waikiki - 15% discount with the presentation of a concierge business card at SHOR, Japengo and SWIM. 2424 Kalakaua Ave. 923-1234.

Iolani Palace - Free Admission. Regular rate \$20. 364 S. King Street, Reservations & Hotel ID required. 522-0832.

IHOP - Receive 20% on entire bill. Must show valid hotel ID. Not valid with any other offer or discount. Aqua Palms, 1850 Ala Moana Blvd restaurant only. Free parking available. 949-4467.

Kaiwa - 20% off food & beverage between 5 & 7 p.m. 924-1555

Longhi's - 25% off food & beverage up to 2 persons, not applicable with any other promotion or discount. 947-9899.

Mission Houses Museum - Free tour with hotel ID. 447-3910

Pacific International Skydiving Center - 50% Discount on Jump, 68-760 Farrington Hwy, 637-7472

Plaza Café - 15% off all food items. Best Western the Plaza Hotel. 3253 N Nimitz Highway. 836-3636.

P.F. Chang's Waikiki - Receive 20% on all appetizers, entrees, desserts and beverages 11 am - 5 pm daily (not valid for Pau Hana menu) Royal Hawaiian Center. Ph: 628-6760, 637-7472

Romano's Macaroni Grill - 20% Off Food and Beverage for up to 2 guests. (Not Valid for Happy Hour Menu). Ala Moana Center, 1450 Ala Moana Blvd. 356-8300

Royal Hawaiian Center - get your FREE Malama Card which offers special retail and dining discounts to local Waikiki workers. Royal Hawaiian Center, 9201 Kalakaua. 922-2299.

Ruth's Chris Steak House - 20% Off Food and Beverage for up to 2 guests. (Not Valid for Happy Hour & Prime Time menus). Restaurant Row, 500 Ala Moana Blvd. 599-3860. Waikiki Beach Walk, 226 Lewers Street. 440-7910

The Contemporary Museum - FREE Admission For Cardholder and One Guest. 526-1322


The Kahala Resort - Complimentary appetizers for a concierge and a guest with the presentation of a concierge business card at Hoku's, Plumeria Beach House, Seaside Grill, The Veranda. 5000 Kahala Avenue. 739-8888

The Original Glider Rides - Come experience the joy of soaring for yourself. Concierge / GSA may receive a complimentary scenic ride. Request the "GSA flight special" when booking your reservation. Hotel ID required. Dillingham Airfield. 637-0207

Tiki's Grill & Bar - FREE order of Prime Rib Poke with any purchase! One per table. OahuconPOKE. ASTON Waikiki Beach. 923-8454

Willoughby's Restaurant - 15% off all food items. Ohana Honolulu Airport Hotel. 3401 N. Nimitz Hwy. 836-0661.

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Concierge of the Month

NAME: Cecilia Derramas
HOTEL: Royal Hawaiian Hotel
TITLE: Concierge

Q. How long have you been at the Royal?
A. I have been working at The Pink Palace for four wonderful years. My duties include personalizing and enhancing our guests' stay and making sure that they are enjoying their experience.

Q. How big is your team there?

A. We have 15 concierges [in]our amazing team. We have different personalities but we work well to provide exceptional service.

Q. How did you come to work in the hotels industry?

A. My major was Travel Industry Management. I started as an intern at the Sheraton Waikiki for their Front Office team. After my internship, I was fortunate to get a job at The Royal as I've always wanted to work here. Prior to the hotel industry, I've worked in the retail industry for a few years.

Q. What do you like about being at the desk the most?

A. I enjoy meeting guests from all over the world. Most of [ours] are longtime repeat guests that have become part of our Ohana.

Q. What do you find is the biggest perk of a concierge?

A. Being able to connect with people from all over the world.

Q. What has been your biggest challenge at the desk?

A. We have a lot of guests who stay with us often (sometimes for over a month, multiple times a year) and we have to recommend new and exciting things for them to try every stay. We have to keep up with what's new around the island so we can be in the know of what we should be suggesting to guests.

Q. What is your favorite activity to recommend?

A. A private charter tour around the island with a local guide is a great way to explore and discover interesting places while in Oahu. The guests are able to sit back, relax, and enjoy what the island has to offer on their own time [in] comfort.

Q. Have you had any unique or memorable guests?

A. All of the guests I meet are unique on their own way. I had a walk-in guest who wanted to stay at our resort to propose to his girlfriend. They were staying at a private home but [he] wanted to propose at The Royal. We worked with him via email and it turned into elaborate proposal planning. The night of the proposal included a private boat charter, photographers, a catered dinner on-board, Hawaiian entertainment with fire dancers upon arrival back to the beach and the works! She said "Yes!" They have kept in touch and are planning to celebrate their honeymoon with us.

Q. What question are you asked again and again and again?

A. Since The Royal is a historical property, first time guests inquire "When was the hotel built?" or "Why is the hotel pink?" We highly recommend attending our Historical Tour offered to everyone twice a week to learn more information about the resort.

Q. If you weren't a concierge, what would you be?

A. I would probably be an Event Planner/Coordinator since I like to organize parties and special celebrations. I'm lucky that being a Concierge, I get to work with our guests in planning some of their events while staying at our resort and I get to wear my "Event Planner hat" when assisting with those requests.

Q. What is your favorite restaurant to send guests to?

A. Azure at our resort is one of my favorites. For lunch, I recommend Town for their spontaneous farm to table menu and Hau Tree Lanai for a relaxing brunch. For guests looking for an exclusive dining experience, [it would be] Vintage Cave.

Q. Where are you from originally?

A. I grew up in Manila, Philippines and moved here 10 years ago.

Q. How do you like to spend the holidays?

A. Christmas is my favorite holiday! I celebrate early with my decorations up first week of November (or when it's up in stores). Dinners and get togethers with friends & families, gift giving, and all the festivities follow. My main thing is to be able connect with loved ones during the holidays and be in the spirit to enjoy the season. If I can, I like to travel during December and see how places transformed for Christmas with their festive decorations.

Q. What do you like to do when you're not working?

A. Relax and have fun! I also like to "play tourist" and enjoy a staycation, try new restaurants, and experience new adventures. It helps me incorporate my personal experiences [into] recommendations I offer to guests & my fellow Royal ambassadors.

Q. Any other comments you'd like to share?

A. It is such an honor to be featured as COTM. I always read this part of the magazine and look up to everyone for sharing their passion and enthusiasm. I am grateful to everyone, especially my Royal team for inspiring me to do better each day at work. Lastly, I want to share my favorite quote from Mahatma Gandhi: "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others".



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Each of the deserving individuals pictured below was recognized this year as our Concierge, Guest Service Agent, or Activity Agent of the month for their exemplary service. Which one should be named our Concierge of the Year? The outcome is up to you. Please photocopy this page and fax back your nomination to 593-0839 **no later than 2 p.m. December 8, 2014.**

Name _____




















Title _____

Hotel _____

Signature _____

Who do you think should be recognized in 2015 for their service? (do not enter the name of who you want to win this year) **Please write in their name here** ▶

Place a ✓ in the middle of flower next to the nominee below you would like be named this years Concierge of the Year

  Karlie Ragan The Modern Hotel	J A N U A R Y	  Sharon Mae Lampitoc Outrigger Waikiki	F E B R U A R Y	  Erena Takekawa Halekulani	M A R C H	  Naoko Mitchem Westin Moana Surfrider	A P R I L
  Frank Rodgers formerly Kahala Hotel & Resort now Sheraton Waikiki	M A Y	  Kristina Flores Holiday Inn Waikiki Beachcomber	J U N E	  Lisa Sapp Trump Waikiki	J U L Y	  Dado Corpuz Turtle Bay Resort	A U G U S T
  Aiko Storm Sheraton Waikiki	S E P T E M B E R	  James Speight Expedia	O C T O B E R	  Mayumi Sueoka Hilton Grand Vacations Club	N O V E M B E R	  Cecilia Derramas Royal Hawaiian Hotel	D E C E M B E R